

With several priorities competing for my time this morning, I am not going to write a full-length column by the deadline. But I don't want to skip the week, because there is one important note I want to get out to our local contractors.

Construction of the city's wastewater treatment plant is out for bid. The bid opening is scheduled for May 28. I do not have the specific details yet, but this could not wait: only contractors on the planholders list will be able to work on the project. This includes subcontractors – electrical, plumbing, HVAC, concrete, grading, etc.

Copies of the plans are available from Foth Infrastructure & Environment for \$150. But they are also available for review through Bid + Network, Reed Construction Data, and similar outlets. We also have a copy available for review at City Hall.

We would like to see as much of the project as possible done with local contractors. Local trades will want to carefully review the plans and get their name on the planholders list. A pre-bid conference is scheduled for 11:00 on Tuesday, May 12, to answer questions and give contractors a chance to visit the existing treatment plant and work site.